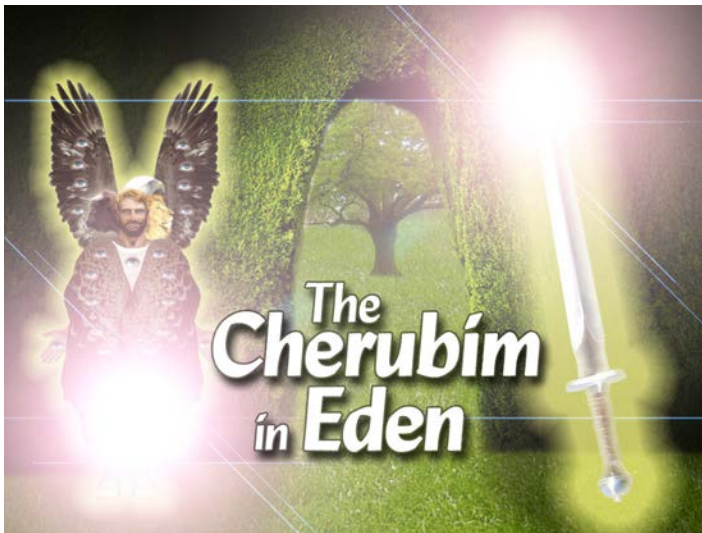


*Thou That
Dwellest Between*



The
Cherubim

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Class #1 - Cherubim in Eden

The Purpose of God With the Earth

Isaiah 45:18-19

He formed it to be inhabited

Numbers 14:21

all the earth shall be filled with the glory of the LORD.

Habakkuk 2:14

For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

Exodus 33:13

Shew me now thy way, that I may know (#3045 -YADAH) thee

Exodus 33:18

And he said, I beseech thee, shew me thy glory.

Exodus 34:5-7

And the LORD descended in the cloud, and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the LORD.

Planting the Garden

Genesis 2:8

And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden...the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil.

Planted: [5193] - Gesenius - "to plant, to pitch a tent, to setup, to fix or fasten"

Life: [2416] - chay - life or lives (c/p Rev 22:2)

Genesis 3:1

Creating Doubt: Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

The Mercy of God: Driving the Man Out

Genesis 3:21

Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them.

Genesis 3:22-23

lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever: Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden

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But, if Adam had eaten of the Tree of Life, when reduced to such misery as this he would have sought death, but it would have fled from him. He would have found no deliverance. This, however, would not have been the worst of it. He would have involved all his posterity in the same interminable calamity. The earth would at length have become crowded with undying generations of sensual and devilish men; who, if any virtue should survive, would afflict it a hundredfold. For this awful consummation there would have been no remedy but to break up the fountains of the abyss, and cast them down under chains of intense darkness, after the example of the terrene angels who sinned under a previous constitution of the globe.

Keeping the WAY

Genesis 3:24

So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims...

Genesis 3:24

...and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

Definition: to keep - strong's #8104 - shamar - To keep watch or to guard as a garden, a flock of sheep; In a wider sense to keep safe or preserve; To keep in mind and memory; To observe or attend to any thing; To keep, to observe as a covenant; To honour or worship

Genesis 2:15

And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it.

Genesis 4:9

Am I my brother's keeper?

Genesis 28:15

And, behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee in all places whither thou goest

Keeping the Covenant

Genesis 17:9

And God said unto Abraham, Thou shalt keep my covenant therefore, thou, and thy seed after thee in their generations.

Exodus 19:5

if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me

Keeping God's Word

Malachi 2:7

For the priest's lips should keep knowledge,

Isaiah 62:6-7

I have set watchmen upon thy walls

Luke 11:52

ye have taken away the key of knowledge: ye entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in ye hindered.

Keeping the Way

Proverbs 10:17

He is in the WAY of life that keepeth instruction: but he that refuseth reproof erreth.

Genesis 18:19

he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the WAY of Yahweh, to do justice and judgment

Isaiah 26:2

Open ye the gates, that the righteous nation which keepeth the TRUTH may enter in.

Corrupting God's Way

Genesis 6:12

And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth.

Jude v11

Woe unto them! for they have gone in the way of Cain...

Matthew 7:13-14

Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

Keeping the Living Way

John 14:5-6

How can we know the way? Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

Hebrews 10:19-22

....Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh; And having an high priest over the house of God; Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.

Therefore: Christ is the ULTIMATE CHERUBIM - who KEEPS THE WAY to the GARDEN

People of the Way

Acts 18:25-26

This man was instructed in the way of the Lord;... when Aquila and Priscilla had heard, they took him unto them, and expounded unto him the way of God more perfectly.

Acts 16:17

These men are the servants of the most high God, which shew unto us the way of salvation.

Acts 9:2

...if he found any of this way...

Acts 22:4

...I persecuted this way unto the death...

Summary of The WAY

- **The Way to the Tree of Life is the method by which Eternal life will be granted to the faithful.**
- **Mankind corrupted God's WAY on the earth**
- **God in his mercy barred man from living forever in a corrupt state - thus preserving his purpose on the earth**
- **Keeping the WAY equates with preserving the knowledge of the truth and sharing it with others**
- **The Lord Jesus Christ is the "WAY" by which we will be granted eternal life**
- **The 1st Century Ecclesia was called "the WAY"**

The End of the Story

Revelation 2:7

To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

Revelation 22:14

Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

The Sword Keeping the Way

Genesis 3:24

...and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

Definition: flaming

Strong's #3858 - lahat from 3851; flashing point of a spear or sword, glittering steel, in brightness resembling a flame; c/p Luke 9:29 - "raiment was white and glistening"

Definition: Sword

Strong's - chereb- from 2717; sword or knife with edges - for circumcision, war

The Sword of God's Judgment

Deuteronomy 32:41

If I whet my glittering sword, and mine hand take hold on judgment; I will render vengeance to mine enemies, and will reward them that hate me.

Psalms 7:11-12

God judgeth the righteous, and God is angry with the wicked every day. If he turn not, he will whet his sword; he hath bent his bow, and made it ready.

Isaiah 66:15-16

For, behold, Yahweh will come with fire, and with his chariots like a whirlwind, to render his anger with fury, and his rebuke with flames of fire. For by fire and by his sword will Yahweh plead with all flesh: and the slain of Yahweh shall be many.

The Sword in Angelic Hands

Joshua 5:13-14

And it came to pass, when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted up his eyes and looked, and, behold, there stood a man over against him with his sword drawn in his hand: and Joshua went unto him, and said unto him, Art thou for us, or for our adversaries? And he said, Nay; but as captain of the host of Yahweh am

I now come....

1 Chron 21:16

And David lifted up his eyes, and saw the angel of Yahweh stand between the earth and the heaven, having a drawn sword in his hand stretched out over Jerusalem....

See also Numbers 22:23-31

Yahweh's Sword in the Hand of the Faithful

Judges 7:20

The sword of Yahweh, and of Gideon.

Psalms 149:5-9

Let the saints be joyful in glory: let them sing aloud upon their beds. Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a twoedged sword in their hand; To execute vengeance upon the heathen... To execute upon them the judgment written: this honour have all his saints.

Yahweh's Sword in the hand of Nations

Ezekiel 30:25

But I will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon, and the arms of Pharaoh shall fall down; and they shall know that I am Yahweh, when I shall put my sword into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall stretch it out upon the land of Egypt.

The Sword of the Word of God

Hebrews 4:12

For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Ephesians 6:17

And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:

Isaiah 49:1-3

Yahweh hath called me from the womb... And he hath made my mouth like a sharp sword... and made me a polished shaft; in his quiver hath he hid me... Thou art my servant, O Israel, in whom I will be glorified.

Summary: The Word of God

- **Symbolic of the Word of God**
- **Wielded by angels, saints and nations - ultimately by Christ**
- **Was to "preserve" the entrance to the "tree of life" for those who believed and obeyed the commandments of God.**
- **Used to guide the faithful in and keep the unfaithful out**
- **Those who "walk in the commandments" of the Father are granted the right to eat of the tree of life**
- **They will live forever and fill the earth with his glory - completing his purpose**

What were the Cherubim

Genesis 3:24

So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims...

What the Concordances have to say

Definition: Cherubim

Strong's #3742 - keruwb - of uncertain derivation.

Gesenius - etymology of the word is doubtful.

Theological Workbook of the Old Testament - derivation of the word is dubious.

Contextual Definition

Psalms 68:4

Sing unto God, sing praises to his name: extol him that rideth upon the heavens by his name YAH, and rejoice before him.

Psalms 18:10

And he rode upon a cherub, and did fly: yea, he did fly upon the wings of the wind.

Psalms 104:3-4

Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters: who maketh the clouds his chariot: who walketh upon the wings of the wind: Who maketh his angels spirits; his ministers a flaming fire:



Definition: Chariot & Rider

Definition: Chariot

Strong's #4818 - merkabah - something that is ridden from 4817

Strong's #4817 - merkab from - saddle, place to ride from 7392

Strong's #7392 - rakab - to mount and ride, ride

Definition: Cherubim

Strong's #3742 - keruwb

CherubIM is simply the plural

The Chariot

1 Chronicles 28:18

And for the altar of incense refined gold by weight; and gold for the pattern of the chariot of the cherubims, that spread out their wings, and covered the ark of the covenant of Yahweh.



Ezekiel 1:28

...This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of Yahweh. And when I saw it, I fell upon my face, and I heard a voice of one that spake.

God rides upon the Cherubim

- The Mercy Seat is termed the “chariot of the Cherubim”
- A visible manifestation of the
- angelic chariots happens twice in
- the scripture - termed “the chariot of Israel”
- Cherubim is something that is ridden by the divine majesty
- The Cherubim are
- a vehicle of God’s will
- The Cherubim are
- something that resembles the majesty - or something God dwells in

A Visible Physical Presence:

- Chariots of Fire - Elijah
- Chariots of Fire - Elisha
- Spirit in form of a Dove:
- Christ’s Baptism
- Spirit in form of cloven
- tongues of fire:
- Day of Pentecost

Interaction with the Cherubim in Eden

Genesis 4:3-5

And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto Yahweh. And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And Yahweh had respect unto Abel and to his offering: But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell.

How was acceptance shown?

Leviticus 9:24 - Moses

And there came a fire out from before Yahweh, and consumed upon the altar the burnt offering and the fat: which when all the people saw, they shouted, and fell on their faces.

Judges 6:21 - Gideon

Then the angel of Yahweh put forth the end of the staff that was in his hand, and touched the flesh and the unleavened cakes; and there rose up fire out of the rock, and consumed the flesh and the unleavened cakes.

Judges 13:19-20 - Samson’s Parents

So Manoah took a kid with a meat offering, and offered it upon a rock unto Yahweh: and the angel did wondrously; and Manoah and his wife looked on. For it came to pass, when the flame went up toward heaven from off the altar, that the angel of Yahweh ascended in the flame of the altar.

The Chariot of Fire

2 Kings 2:11-12

And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. And Elisha saw it, and he cried, My father, my father, the chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof. And he saw him no more: and he took hold of his own clothes, and rent them in two pieces.

2 Kings 6:17

And Elisha prayed, and said, LORD, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the LORD opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha.

Chariots of Salvation

Habakkuk 3:8

Was Yahweh displeased against the rivers? was thine anger against the rivers? was thy wrath against the sea, that thou didst ride upon thine horses and thy chariots of salvation?

Isaiah 9:1

The burden of Egypt. Behold, Yahweh rideth upon a swift cloud, and shall come into Egypt: and the idols of Egypt shall be moved at his presence, and the heart of Egypt shall melt in the midst of it.

Isaiah 58:14

Then shalt thou delight thyself in Yahweh; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of Yahweh hath spoken it.

Inhabiting the Cherubim

2 Kings 19:15

And Hezekiah prayed before Yahweh, and said,
O Yahweh Elohim of Israel, which dwellest between the cherubims, thou art the God, even thou alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth; thou hast made heaven and earth.

Definition: Dwellest

Strong’s #3427 - yashab - to inhabit, make one’s abode, to be seated upon a throne

Therefore: The Cherubim is SOMETHING that GOD INHABITS

1 Chronicles 21:26 - David

And David built there an altar unto Yahweh, and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings, and called upon Yahweh; and he answered him from heaven by fire upon the altar of burnt offering.

2 Chron 7:1-3 - Solomon

Now when Solomon had made an end of praying, the fire came down from heaven, and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of Yahweh filled the house. And the priests could not enter into the house of Yahweh, because the glory of Yahweh had filled Yahweh's house.

1 Kings 18:24 - Elijah

And call ye on the name of your gods, and I will call on the name of Yahweh: and the God that answereth by fire, let him be God. And all the people answered and said, It is well spoken.

Answering by Fire....

Leviticus 10:1-2 (Nadab and Abihu)

And Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, took either of them his censer, and put fire therein, and put incense thereon, and offered strange fire before Yahweh, which he commanded them not. And there went out fire from Yahweh, and devoured them, and they died before Yahweh.

Numbers 16:35 (Rebellion of Korah)

And there came out a fire from Yahweh, and consumed the two hundred and fifty men that offered incense.

Cain's Response

Genesis 4:14

Behold, thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the earth; and from thy face [faces] shall I be hid; and I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond in the earth; and it shall come to pass, that every one that findeth me shall slay me.

Genesis 4:16

And Cain went out from the presence [faces] of Yahweh, and dwelt in the land of Nod, on the east of Eden.

Definition: face/presence

Strong's #6440 - paniym - faces, plural

Summary: Cherubim in Eden

- **The Cherubim are VEHICLES of God's will**
- **They are something God RIDES or INHABITS**
- **Their purpose is the KEEP THE WAY to the tree of life**
- **They are symbols of God's divine judgment.**
- **The saints fulfill a similar roll in KEEPING the TRUTH - and preserving the way of salvation**



Class #2

Cherubim Under the Law

God's Purpose with Israel

Acts 15:14

Simeon hath declared how God at the first did visit the Gentiles, to take out of them a people for his name.

Genesis 12:1-3

Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

Genesis 32:28

And he said, Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: for as a prince hast thou power with God and with men, and hast prevailed.

Exodus 6:6

Wherefore say unto the children of Israel, I [am] the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you out of their bondage, and I will redeem you with a stretched out arm, and with great judgments: And I will take you to me for a people, and I will be to you a God: and ye shall know that I [am] the LORD your God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. And I will bring you in unto the land, concerning the which I did swear to give it to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob; and I will give it you for an heritage: I [am] the LORD.

Exodus 15:17

Thou shalt bring them in, and plant them in the mountain of thine inheritance, [in] the place, O LORD, [which] thou hast made for thee to dwell in, [in] the Sanctuary, O Lord, [which] thy hands have established.



The Standard of Judah

(Numbers 2:3)

And on the east side toward the rising of the sun shall they of the standard of the camp of Judah pitch throughout their armies: and Nahshon the son of Amminadab shall be captain of the children of Judah.

Symbol of Israel

Numbers 24:5,9

How goodly are thy tents, O Jacob, and thy tabernacles, O Israel!... He couched, he lay down as a lion, and as a great lion: who shall stir him up? Blessed is he that blesseth thee, and cursed is he that curseth thee.

1 Kings 10:20

twelve lions round Solomon's throne

c/p also Numbers 23:23-24; Ezekiel 19:1-6

Israel in Judgement

Micah 5:8

And the remnant of Jacob shall be among the Gentiles in the midst of many people as a lion among the beasts of the forest, as a young lion among the flocks of sheep: who, if he go through, both treadeth down, and teareth in pieces, and none can deliver.

Symbol of the King

Genesis 49:9-10

Judah is a lion's whelp: from the prey, my son, thou art gone up: he stooped down, he couched as a lion, and as an old lion; who shall rouse him up? The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be.

Revelation 5:5

And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.

The Voice of Prophecy

Amos 3:7-8

Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets. The lion hath roared, who will not fear? the Lord Yahweh hath spoken, who can but prophesy?

Revelation 10:3

And cried with a loud voice, as when a lion roareth: and when he had cried, seven thunders uttered their voices.

Symbol of Judgment

Jeremiah 4:7

The lion is come up from his thicket, and the destroyer of the Gentiles is on his way; he is gone forth from his place to make thy land desolate; and thy cities shall be laid waste, without an inhabitant.

Jeremiah 50:17

Israel is a scattered sheep; the lions have driven him away: first the king of Assyria hath devoured him; and last this Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon hath broken his bones.

Ezekiel 32:2

Pharoah King of Egypt... lion of the nations

Isaiah 5:25-30

Nations from far... roaring like a lion



The Standard Of Reuban

Numbers 2:10

On the south side shall be the standard of the camp of Reuben according to their armies: and the captain of the children of Reuben shall be Elizur the son of Shedeur.

The Multitudinous Son - Israel

Exodus 4:22-23

And thou shalt say unto Pharaoh, Thus saith Yahweh, Israel is my son, even my firstborn: And I say unto thee, Let my son go, that he may serve me: and if thou refuse to let him go, behold, I will slay thy son, even thy firstborn.

Ezra 3:1

And when the seventh month was come, and the children of Israel were in the cities, the people gathered themselves together as one man to Jerusalem.

Nehemiah 8:1

People gathered as one man...

Ezekiel 37:17

they shall become one in thine hand...

Christ the Son of Man

Zechariah 6:12

And speak unto him, saying, Thus speaketh the Yahweh of hosts, saying, Behold the man whose name is The BRANCH; and he shall grow up out of his place, and he shall build the temple of the Yahweh...

John 19:5

Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And Pilate saith unto them, Behold the man!

Matt 16:27

Son of man come in the glory of his Father

Matt 19:28

Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory

Matt 24:27

Coming of the Son of man

The Multitudinous Christ

1 John 3:1-3

Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.

Col 1:18

he is the head of the body

Col 3:10-11

put on the new man... in the image of him that created him.

John 1:12-13

But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

Romans 8:14,19

For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.... For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God

Daniel 7:13

I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him.

Song of Sol 5:10-16

The Beloved

Revelation 1:13-16

And in the midst of the seven candlesticks one like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle. His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire; And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters. And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword: and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength.



The Standard of Ephraim

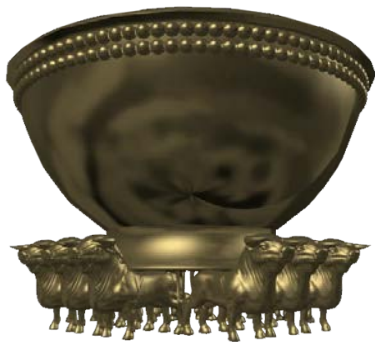
Numbers 2:10

On the west side shall be the standard of the camp of Ephraim according to their armies: and the captain of the sons of Ephraim shall be Elishama the son of Ammihud.

Symbol of the Nation of Israel

1 Kings 7:25

It stood upon twelve oxen, three looking toward the north, and three looking toward the west, and three looking toward the south, and three looking toward the east: and the sea was set above upon them, and all their hinder parts were inward.



Symbol of the Laborer

1 Timothy 5:18

For the scripture saith, Thou shalt not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn. And, The labourer is worthy of his reward.

Matthew 11:29

Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

Symbol of Humility and Praise:

Psalms 69:30-32

I will praise the name of God with a song, and will magnify him with thanksgiving. This also shall please the Yahweh better than an ox or bullock that hath horns and hoofs. The humble shall see this, and be glad: and your heart shall live that seek God.

Philippians 2:5-6

Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus...took

upon him the form of a servant... he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death...

Symbol of Judgment

Micah 4:13

Arise and thresh, O daughter of Zion: for I will make thine horn iron, and I will make thy hoofs brass: and thou shalt beat in pieces many people: and I will consecrate their gain unto the LORD, and their substance unto the Lord of the whole earth

Deuteronomy 25:4

Thou shalt not muzzle the ox when he treadeth out the corn



Standard of DAN

Numbers 2:25

The standard of the camp of Dan shall be on the north side by their armies: and the captain of the children of Dan shall be Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.

Protection of Yahweh

Exodus 19:4

Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself.

Judgements of Yahweh

Jeremiah 48:40

For thus saith the LORD; Behold, he shall fly as an eagle, and shall spread his wings over Moab.

Deuteronomy 28:49

The LORD shall bring a nation against thee from far, from the end of the earth, as swift as the eagle flieth; a nation whose tongue thou shalt not understand;

Matt 24:28

"Where the carcase is... eagles gather"

Spirit Nature

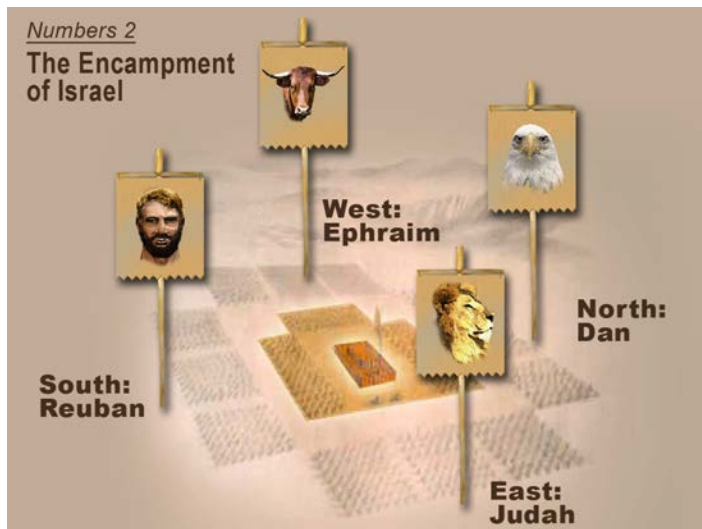
Isaiah 40:31

But they that wait upon Yahweh shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

Psalms 103:5

Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

- **The Eagle is carried by the WIND - the RUACH - SPIRIT and therefore becomes linked with spirit nature**



Parable of the Standards

- *If we would rule as the lion, we must first serve as the ox*
- *If we desire spirit nature as the eagle, we must first manifest the spirit in our flesh (the Man)*

Directed by the Spirit

(Numbers 9:17-18)

And when the cloud was taken up from the tabernacle, then after that the children of Israel journeyed: and in the place where the cloud abode, there the children of Israel pitched their tents. At the commandment of the Yahweh the children of Israel journeyed, and at the commandment of the Yahweh they pitched...

c/p Exodus 40:34-38

The Tabernacle

- **The way the tabernacle is described by Moses in Exodus 35 is unique:**

First he describes the "tent" itself:

- **11: The tabernacle, his tent, and his covering, his taches, and his boards, his bars, his pillars, and his sockets,**

Then he describes the contents:

- **12: The ark, and the staves thereof, with the mercy seat, and the vail of the covering,**
- **13: The table, and his staves, and all his vessels, and the shewbread,**
- **14: The candlestick also for the light, and his furniture, and his**

lamps, with the oil for the light,

- **15: And the incense altar, and his staves, and the anointing oil, and the sweet incense, and the hanging for the door at the entering in of the tabernacle,**

He continues from the tabernacle to the outer courts:

- **15:and the hanging for the door at the entering in of the tabernacle,**
- **16: The altar of burnt offering, with his brasen grate, his staves, and all his vessels, the laver and his foot,**
- **17: The hangings of the court, his pillars, and their sockets, and the hanging for the door of the court,**
- **18: The pins of the tabernacle, and the pins of the court, and their cords,**

Finally he gets to Aaron and his sons

- **19: The cloths of service, to do service in the holy place, the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons, to minister in the priest's office.**

This is the divine perspective - it isn't described from man's perspective - starting with Aaron and working through everything to the inside

It is God's perspective - from the inside out

This must form the way we look at the Cherubim in the service of the tabernacle - from God's perspective



The Ark of the Covenant

Exodus 25:10-16

And thou shalt put into the ark the testimony which I shall give thee. (v16)

Proverbs 6:20-23

My son, keep thy father's commandment, and forsake not the law of thy mother: Bind them continually upon thine heart, and tie them about thy neck. When thou goest, it shall lead thee; when thou sleepest, it shall keep thee; and when thou awakest, it shall talk with thee. For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of life:

The Mercy Seat

Exodus 30:6

And thou shalt put it before the vail that is by the ark of the testimony, before the mercy seat that is over the testimony, where I will meet with thee.

Definition: Covering

Strong's #3727 - Kapporeth - a covering, from root "to cover", only used of the cover of the ark of the covenant, the inmost recess of the temple, where the ark of the covenant was placed.

Hebrews 9:3-5

And after the second veil, the tabernacle which is called the Holiest of all; Which had the golden censer, and the ark of the covenant overlaid round about with gold, wherein was the golden pot that had manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant; And over it the cherubims of glory shadowing the mercyseat; of which we cannot now speak particularly.

Mercy Seat: #2434 hilasmos - Propitiation

1 John 2:1-2

My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: And he is the propitiation (covering-mercy seat) for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 John 4:9-10

"sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins"

Made of One Piece

Exodus 37:6-7

And he made the mercy seat of pure gold: two cubits and a half was the length thereof, and one cubit and a half the breadth thereof. And he made two cherubims of gold, beaten out of one piece made he them, on the two ends of the mercy seat

Facing Each other and the Mercy Seat

Exodus 25:18-22

And the cherubims shall stretch forth their wings on high, covering the mercy seat with their wings, and their faces shall look one to another; toward the mercy seat shall the faces of the cherubims be. (v20)

Hebrews 12:2:

Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith...

Matt 22:37-39

*Thou shalt love the Lord thy God ...
Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.*

Summary

- *The Cherubim were part of the*
- **COVERING of the Ark , the Mercy Seat**
- *They protected the TESTIMONY or COVENANT that would KEEP Israel in the WAY*
- **Christ is the MERCY SEAT**
- *The CHERUBIM upon it are symbolic of the MULTITUDINOUS Christ*
- *Their focus is first on Christ then upon their brethren*



Place of Communication

Leviticus 16:2

And Yahweh said unto Moses, Speak unto Aaron thy brother, that he come not at all times into the holy place within the vail before the mercy seat, which is upon the ark; that he die not: for I will appear in the cloud upon the mercy seat.

Exodus 25:22

And there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubim which are upon the ark of the testimony, of all things which I will give thee in commandment unto the children of Israel.

Numbers 7:89

And when Moses was gone into the tabernacle of the congregation to speak with him, then he heard the voice of one speaking unto him from off the mercy seat that was upon the ark of testimony, from between the two cherubims: and he spake unto him.

The Symbolic Throne of Yahweh

2 Samuel 6:2

And David arose, and went with all the people that were with him from Baale of Judah, to bring up from thence the ark of God, whose name is called by the name of the Yahweh of hosts that dwelleth between the cherubim.

Definition: Dwellest

Strong's #3427 - Yashab to sit, sit down, to be set, to remain, stay, to dwell, have one's abode, to inhabit

Psalm 99:1

Yahweh reigneth; let the people tremble: he sitteth between the cherubims; let the earth be moved.

Psalm 80:1

Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a flock; thou that dwellest between the cherubims, shine forth.

- **Reminds us of Genesis with the acceptance of Abel's sacrifice**
- **Shining forth = showing favour to**

Summary

- **The Cherubim were the focal point where God would appear to Israel - in a cloud**
- **God would communicate with Israel from between the Cherubim - like Eden**
- **God inhabited the Cherubim - dwelt there**
- **This was his symbolic throne in the midst of the nation of Israel**
- **He would "Shine forth" and indicate his acceptance from this place.**



Embroidered on the Curtains

Exodus 26:1

Moreover thou shalt make the tabernacle with ten curtains of fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet: with cherubims of cunning work shalt thou make them.

Exodus 26:31-32

And thou shalt make a vail of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen of cunning work: with cherubims shall it be made: And thou shalt hang it upon four pillars of shittim wood overlaid with gold: their hooks shall be of gold, upon the four sockets of silver.

- **They were "keeping the way" to the ark -and the tree of life - or the word of God**

Exodus 26:32-34

And thou shalt hang up the vail under the taches, that thou mayest bring in thither within the vail the ark of the testimony: and the vail shall divide unto you between the holy place and the most holy. And thou shalt put the mercy seat upon the ark of the testimony in the most holy place.

- **They were to form a barrier between the holy place and the most holy place**
- **They stood between Man and God**

Covering the Ark of the Testimony in Motion

Numbers 4:5-6

And when the camp setteth forward, Aaron shall come, and his sons, and they shall take down the covering vail, and cover the ark of testimony with it: And shall put thereon the covering of badgers' skins, and shall spread over it a cloth wholly of blue, and shall put in the staves thereof.

The Vail = Christ's Flesh

Hebrews 10:19-20

Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh;

- **The Cherubim on the VEIL = GOD Manifest in FLESH**

Matt 27:50-51

Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the spirit. And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent;

Lesson from the Vail

- **Cherubim on the vail represents God manifest in the flesh**
- **Entrance to the most holy place required the vail (flesh) to be rent - or put to death**
- **The living way was opened at the crucifixion of Christ**



Solomon's Temple

1 Kings 6:23-28

And within the oracle he made two cherubims of olive tree, each ten cubits high... both the cherubims were of one measure and one size... And he set the cherubims within the inner house: and they stretched forth the wings of the cherubims, so that the wing of the one touched the one wall, and the wing of the other cherub touched the other wall; and their wings touched one another in the midst of the house. And he overlaid the cherubims with gold.

- **Two Cherubim of Olive wood were built, Two OLIVE TREES - c/p Zechariah, They were of ONE measure, Their wings OVERSHADOWED the Ark**

The Small Laver

1 Kings 7:29

And on the borders that were between the ledges were lions, oxen, and cherubims: and upon the ledges there was a base above: and beneath the lions and oxen were certain additions made of thin work



Class #3

The Serpahim in Isaiah

Time of Isaiah's Prophecy

Isaiah 1:1

The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

Isaiah's Vision: Adonai on the Throne

Isaiah 6:1

I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.

Who was on the throne? - The Covenant King

Isaiah 6:5

Mine eyes have seen the King, Yahweh of Armies

2 Samuel 7:12

I will set up thy seed after thee... and I will establish his kingdom, He shall build an house for my name, and I will stablish the throne of his kingdom forever.

Isaiah 2:2-5

The mountain of Yahweh's house shall be established in the top of the mountains... for out of Zion shall forth the law, and the word of Yahweh from Jerusalem. And he shall judge among the nations...

Definition: Sitting - From Strongs

Strongs #3427 yashab - to dwell, remain, sit, abide to sit, sit down, to be set, to remain, stay, to dwell, have one's abode, to inhabit

Definition: Throne - From Gesenius

Strongs #3678 kicce' - a seat, lofty and covered with a canopy or hanging, ; hence, a royal throne

Throne Reminds us of the Ark

Exodus 25:17-22

...And thou shalt make a mercy seat [The throne] of pure gold... there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubims which are upon the ark of the testimony, of all things which I will give thee in commandment unto the children of Israel.

1 Chronicles 13:6

...the ark of God the LORD, that dwelleth [Heb – Yashab – sitteth] between the cherubims, whose name is called on it

A Throne in the Temple

Hebrews 6:19-20

... which is entered into that within the veil; Whither the forerunner is for us entered, even Jesus made an high priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

Hebrews 7:2

King of Righteousness... King of Peace

Hebrews 7:17

Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec



Moses Vision

Exodus 24:9-11

Then went up Moses, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel: And they saw the God of Israel: and there was under his feet as it were a paved work of a sapphire stone, and as it were the body of heaven in his clearness. And upon the nobles of the children of Israel he laid not his hand: also they saw God, and did eat and drink.



Ezekiel's Throne Vision

Ezekiel 1:26

And above the firmament that was over their heads was the likeness of a throne, as the appearance of a sapphire stone: and upon the likeness of the throne was the likeness as the appearance of a man above upon it.

Ezekiel 1:27

And I saw as the colour of amber, as the appearance of fire round about within it, from the appearance of his loins even upward, and from the appearance of his loins even downward, I saw as it were the appearance of fire, and it had brightness round about.

Ezekiel 1:28

As the appearance of the bow that is in the cloud in the day of rain, so was the appearance of the brightness round about. This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of Yahweh. And when I saw it, I fell upon my face, and I heard a voice of one that spake.

- **Surrounding the throne is a RAINBOW - symbolizing that it is the COVENANT THRONE**
- **It is a vision of the GLORY OF YAHWEH that eventually would cover the earth**



Daniel's Throne Vision

Daniel 7:9-10

I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire. A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened

- **This is a vision of the LORD JESUS CHRIST**



John's Throne Vision:

Revelation 4:2-5

And immediately I was in the spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne. And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald. And round about the throne were four and twenty seats...

The Train

Isaiah 6:1

I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.

Definition: Train, 7757 shuwl, hem 6, skirt 4, train 1, skirt (of robe), of high priest's robe



Exodus 39:24-26

And they made upon the hems of the robe pomegranates of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and twined linen. And they made bells of pure gold, and put the bells between the pomegranates upon the hem of the robe, round about between the pomegranates; A bell and a pomegranate, a bell and a pomegranate, round about the hem of the robe to minister in; as the LORD commanded Moses.

- **The hem had blue, purple, scarlet (royal colours) associated with God being manifested in Flesh**
- **But also POMEGRANATES and BELLS**

- **Pomegranates were a fruit with a multitudinous seed - representing the multitudinous seed of Abraham contained within in one fruit**
- **The Bell's were to give sound - "the sound of those who preached the gospel of peace" (Romans 10:15)**

The Seraphim

Isaiah 6:1-4

I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple. Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is Yahweh of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory. And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.

Definition: Seraphim

Strong's #8314 saraph - serpent, fiery serpent, from #8313

Strong's #8313 saraph: to burn, burning

Therefore: The Seraphim are the burning ones of Yahweh's Judgment who have come through much tribulation (burnishing)



With twain he did fly

Definition: He did Fly

Strong's #5774 uwph - to fly about or to and fro, to cause to fly to and fro, brandish

Genesis 3:24

... a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life

House Filled with Smoke Yahweh's Presence & Judgments

Genesis 15:17 - Abraham & the Covenant

And it came to pass, that, when the sun went down, and it was dark, behold a smoking furnace, and a burning lamp that passed between those pieces.

Psalms 18:8-10

There went up a smoke out of his nostrils, and fire out of his mouth devoured: coals were kindled by it. He bowed the heavens also, and came down: and darkness was under his feet. And he rode upon a cherub, and did fly: yea, he did fly upon the wings of the wind.

Exodus 19:18

And mount Sinai was altogether on a smoke, because Yahweh descended upon it in fire: and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mount quaked greatly.

Smoke & Cloud - Cherubic Imagery

Ezekiel 1:4

And I looked, and, behold, a whirlwind came out of the north, a great cloud, and a fire infolding itself, and a brightness was about it, and out of the midst thereof as the colour of amber, out of the midst of the fire.

Angelic Presence in the Wilderness

Exodus 13:21-22

And Yahweh went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night: He took not away the pillar of the cloud by day, nor the pillar of fire by night, from before the people.

Deuteronomy 1:33

Who went in the way before you, to search you out a place to pitch your tents in, in fire by night, to shew you by what WAY ye should go, and in a cloud by day.

Exodus 33:9-10

And it came to pass, as Moses entered into the tabernacle, the cloudy pillar descended, and stood at the door of the tabernacle, and Yahweh talked with Moses. And all the people saw the cloudy pillar stand at the tabernacle door: and all the people rose up and worshipped, every man in his tent door.

Exodus 16:10

And it came to pass, as Aaron spake unto the whole congregation of the children of Israel, that they looked toward the wilderness, and, behold, the glory of Yahweh appeared in the cloud.

Showing the Way

Exodus 40:34-38

Then a cloud covered the tent of the congregation, and the glory of Yahweh filled the tabernacle. And Moses was not able to enter into the tent of the congregation, because the cloud abode thereon, and the glory of Yahweh filled the tabernacle. And when the cloud was taken up from over the tabernacle, the children of Israel went onward in all their journeys: But if the cloud were not taken up, then they journeyed not till the day that it was taken up. For the cloud of Yahweh was upon the tabernacle by day, and fire was on it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel, throughout all their journeys.

Nehemiah 9:19

Yet thou in thy manifold mercies forsookest them not in the wilderness: the pillar of the cloud departed not from them by day, to lead them in the WAY; neither the pillar of fire by night, to shew them light, and the WAY wherein they should go.

Psalms 105:39

He spread a cloud for a covering; and fire to give light in the night.

Psalms 97:2

Clouds and darkness are round about him: righteousness and judgment are the habitation of his throne

Futur Pillars of Smoke

Isaiah 4:5

And Yahweh will create upon every dwelling place of mount Zion, and upon her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night: for upon all the glory shall be a defence....

Song of Solomon 3:6

Who is this that cometh out of the wilderness like pillars of smoke, perfumed with myrrh and frankincense, with all powders of the merchant?

Dedication of Solomon's Temple

1 Kings 8:10-11

And it came to pass, when the priests were come out of the holy place, that the cloud filled the house of Yahweh, So that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud: for the glory of Yahweh had filled the house of Yahweh.



Chariots of Fire

2 Kings 2:11

And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven



Whirlwinds of Judgment

Jeremiah 23:19

Behold, a whirlwind of Yahweh is gone forth in fury, even a grievous whirlwind: it shall fall grievously upon the head [rosh] of the wicked.

- **it is destined to fall upon the ROSH of the wicked - reminding us of Ezekiel 38 and Genesis 3:15**

Nahum 1:2-4

God is jealous, and Yahweh revengeth; Yahweh revengeth, and is furious; Yahweh will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he reserveth wrath for his enemies. Yahweh is slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit the wicked: Yahweh hath his way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds are the dust of his feet.

The Transfiguration

Luke 9:34-35

While he thus spake, there came a cloud, and overshadowed them: and they feared as they entered into the cloud. And there came a voice out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him.

Christ's Assension

Acts 1:9

And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.



The Symbol of Clouds

Hebrews 12:1

Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us

1 Thessalonians 4:16-17

For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be snatched away together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

Daniel 7:13

I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him

Matthew 24:30

And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

Revelation 1:7

Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

c/p Matthew 26:64; Mark 13:26; Mark 14:62; Luke 21:27



The Rainbowed Angel

Revelation 10:1-3

And I saw another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud: and a rainbow was upon his head, and his face was as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire:

And he had in his hand a little book open: and he set his right foot upon the sea, and his left foot on the earth, And cried with a loud voice, as when a lion roareth: and when he had cried, seven thunders uttered their voices

- **He is clothed with the Cherubic CLOUD OF SAINTS**
- **A COVENANT RAINBOW is upon his HEAD**
- **His Face shines as the SUN of RIGHTEOUSNESS**
- **His Feet are the PILLARS OF FIRE - the symbol of God's presence throughout the wilderness**
- **His Voice is that of the LION OF THE TRIBE OF JUDAH**

The Prophets Respond to the Visions

Isaiah 6:5

Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, Yahweh of armies

Ezekiel 1:28

And when I saw it, I fell upon my face, and I heard a voice of one that spake.

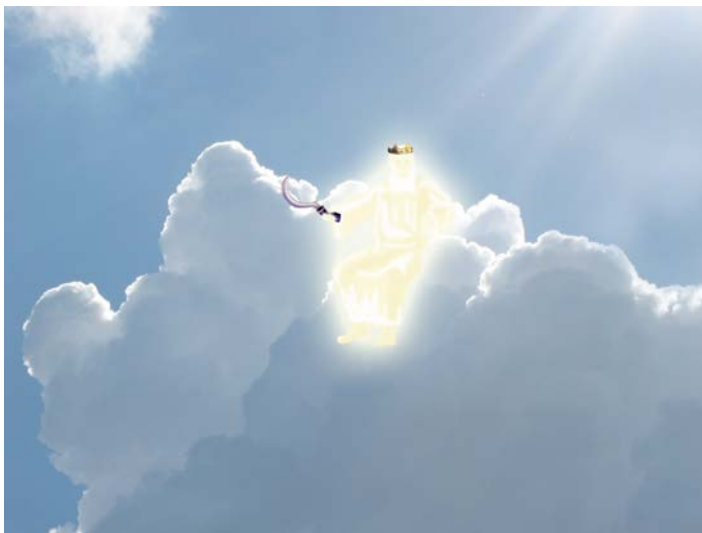
Daniel 10:7-9

I was left alone, and saw this great vision, and there remained no strength in me: for my comeliness was turned in me into corruption, and I retained no strength. Yet heard I the voice of his words: and when I heard the voice of his words, then was I in a deep sleep on my face, and my face toward the ground.

Revelation 1:17

And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; I am the first and the last:

- **They all recognized their position before the judge of all the earth.**



John's Vision

Revelation 14:14-16

And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle. And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud, Thrust in thy sickle, and reap: for the time is come for thee to reap; for the harvest of the earth is ripe. And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth; and the earth was reaped.

The Coal from the Altar

Isaiah 6:6-7

Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar: And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged

- **When we are brought into covenant relationship with the sacrifice of CHRIST OUR INIQUITY IS TAKEN AWAY, OUR SIN IS PURGED**
- **David Understood this feeling when he wrote:**
- **“Purge me with hyssop and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than the snow. Make me to hear joy and gladness; that the bones which thou has broken may rejoice. Hide thy face from my sins and blot out all mine iniquities” (Psalm 51:7-9)**

Isaiah's Response to the Seraphim

Isaiah 6:8

Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?

Then said I, Here am I; send me

- **Being MOTIVATED by the VISION of SALVATION he became a vehicle of God's will - HERE AM I SEND ME!**

Our Response to Christ's Sacrifice

2 Corinthians 5:14-15

For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead: And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again.

Galatians 2:20

I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me

- **Being pulled out of the GRAVE - we should be wholly dedicated as a VEHICLE OF GOD'S WILL - A Cherubim - something he can RIDE in the ESTABLISHMENT OF HIS PURPOSE ON THIS EARTH**

.1 Peter 2:9-11

But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises [characteristics - God manifestation] of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light: Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.

- **Need to Develop a HERE AM I, SEND ME mentality**



Class #4

The Cherubim in Ezekiel 1

The Whirlwind out of the North

Ezekiel 1:4

And I looked, and, behold, a whirlwind came out of the north, a great cloud, and a fire infolding itself, and a brightness was about it, and out of the midst thereof as the colour of amber, out of the midst of the fire.

Definition: Colour

Strong's #5869 `ayin - the eye, physical eye, fountain

Definition: Amber

Strong's #2830 chashmal - of brass made smooth, i.e. polished
LXX. translate it *electrum*, which words are not to be understood as used for amber, but for a kind of metal of remarkable brightness compounded of gold and silver

The Colour of Amber - Electrum

Gold:

1 Peter 1:7

That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:

Silver:

1 Peter 1:18

Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers...

Compound of Gold and Silver

Romans 4:5

But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness.

Galatians 5:5

For we through the Spirit wait for the hope of righteousness by faith.

- **Imputed Righteousness that comes by faith**

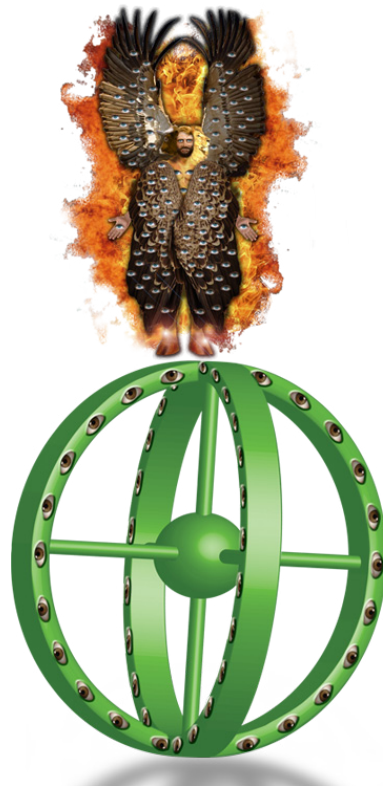
Faith producing Righteousness through affliction

Zechariah 13:9

And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on my name, and I will hear them: I will say, It is my people: and they shall say, Yahweh is my God.

Acts 14:22

....we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God.



The Living Creatures - Cherubim

Ezekiel 1:5-6

Also out of the midst thereof came the likeness of four living creatures. And this was their appearance; they had the likeness of a man. And every one had four faces, and every one had four wings.

- **FOUR is the NUMBER OF GOD MANIFESTATION**
- **Four STANDARDS of ISRAEL**
- **FOUR LIVING CREATURES**
- **FOUR FACES**
- **FOUR WINGS**

Description of the Cherubim

Ezekiel 1:7-8

And their feet were straight feet; and the sole of their feet was like the sole of a calf's foot: and they sparkled like the colour of burnished brass. And they had the hands of a man under their wings on their four sides; and they four had their faces and their wings.

Ezekiel 1:9-10

Their wings were joined one to another; they turned not when they went; they went every one straight forward. As for the likeness of their faces, they four had the face of a man, and the face of a lion, on the right side: and they four had the face of an ox on the left side; they four also had the face of an eagle.

Description of the FACES is given:

- **Man - looking forward**
- **LION - Right Side**
- **OX - Left Side**
- **EAGLE - on the back side**

What Are these creatures?

Ezekiel 1:1

...the heavens were opened, and I saw visions of God.

Ezekiel 1:28

...This was the appearance of the glory of Yahweh...

Ezekiel 1:5

...And this was their appearance; they had the likeness of a man

- **This is God Manifested in Man**

The Wings

Ezekiel 1:6

And every one had four faces, and every one had four wings.

Definition: Wings - Strong's

- **3671 kanaph - wing, extremity, edge, winged, border, corner, skirt**

Definition: Wings - Gesenius

- **To cover, cover over, a wing called from its covering**

Reminds us of the picture of the ark

Exodus 25:20

And the cherubims shall stretch forth their wings on high, covering the mercy seat with their wings...

The Joined Wings

Ezekiel 1:9

Their wings were joined one to another; they turned not when they went; they went every one straight forward.

Ezekiel 1:11

Thus were their faces: and their wings were stretched upward; two wings of every one were joined one to another, and two covered their bodies.



The Symbol of Yahweh's Wings

Psalm 18:10

And he rode upon a cherub, and did fly: yea, he did fly upon the wings of the wind.

Psalm 104:3-4

Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters: who maketh the clouds his chariot: who walketh upon the wings of the wind: Who maketh his angels spirits; his ministers a flaming fire:

Exodus 19:4

Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself.

What the Ornithologists say

"Many ornithologists have thought that the Bible picture of an eagle carrying her young was merely figurative, but

in recent years certain reliable observers have actually seen a parent bird let its young rest for a moment on the feathered back – especially when there was no other roosting place in sight. When an eagle nests on the ledge of a sheer-walled canyon, many feet above the earth, with no jutting tree or protruding rock to break the fall, the quick movement of a mother bird to offer her own back to a frightened fledgling may be the only way to let it live to try its wings again."

Wings of the Covenant

Ruth 3:9

I am Ruth thine handmaid: spread therefore thy skirt [wings] over thine handmaid; for thou art a near kinsman.

Ezekiel 16:8

Now when I passed by thee, and looked upon thee, behold, thy time was the time of love; and I spread my skirt [wings] over thee, and covered thy nakedness: yea, I swore unto thee, and entered into a covenant with thee, saith the Lord Yahweh, and thou becamest mine.



Wings of Judgment

Deuteronomy 28:49

Yahweh shall bring a nation against thee from far, from the end of the earth, as swift as the eagle flieth; a nation whose tongue thou shalt not understand

Matthew 24:28

For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.

The Picture of Renewed Strength

Malachi 4:2

But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall...

Isaiah 40:31

But they that wait upon Yahweh shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

The Noise of the Wings

Ezekiel 1:24

And when they went, I heard the noise of their wings, like the noise of great waters, as the voice of the Almighty, the voice of speech, as the noise of an host: when they stood, they let down their wings.

Ezekiel 3:12-13

Then the spirit took me up, and I heard behind me a voice of a great rushing, saying, Blessed be the glory of Yahweh from his place. I heard also the noise of the wings of the living creatures that touched one another...

• The Picture of a Multitude

Revelation 1:15 - Multitudinous Christ

And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters.

Revelation 14:2

And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters...

Revelation 19:6

And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings...

Acts 2:1-4

And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord [a man of one] in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance

2 Peter 1:21

For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.

Wings of Protection

Deuteronomy 32:11-13

As an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, spreadeth abroad her wings, taketh them, beareth them on her wings: So Yahweh alone did lead him, and there was no strange god with him. He made him ride on the high places of the earth...

Under the Wings of the Truth

Psalms 91:4

He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

Zechariah 8:23

that ten men... shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, We will go with you: for we have heard that God is with you.

Manifesting the Characteristic of the Wings

James 1:27

Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction and to keep himself unspotted from the world.

Phillipians 2:15-16

That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world; Holding forth the word of life...

Despising the Protection of God's Wings:

Luke 13:34

O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen doth gather her brood under her wings, and ye would not!

Lesson of the Wings

- *The Cherubim have the divine characteristic of wings signifying both protection and judgment*
- *They are borne of the spirit - carried by the Ruach*
- *They have been covered under Yahweh's wings in which they have come to trust*
- *They are joined in fellowship*
- *Now are involved in covering others with the truth*

Straight Feet

Ezekiel 1:7

And their feet were straight feet; and the sole of their feet was like the sole of a calf's foot: and they sparkled like the colour of burnished brass.

Definition: straight

- **3477 yashar- straight, upright, correct, right, right, pleasing, correct, straightforward, just, upright, fitting, proper, uprightness, righteous, upright**

1 Kings 15:5

Because David did that which was right (Yasher) in the eyes of Yahweh, and turned not aside from any thing that he commanded him all the days of his life, save only in the matter of Uriah the Hittite.

Psalms 107:7

And he led them forth by the right (Yasher) way, that they might go to a city of habitation.

Hosea 14:9

Who is wise, and he shall understand these things? prudent, and he shall know them? for the ways of Yahweh are right, and the just shall walk in them: but the transgressors shall fall therein.

Psalms 1:1-2

Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of Yahweh; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

Romans 10:15

...How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!

Feet of Burnished Brass

Brass = Flesh

Numbers 21:9

And Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole, and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived.

Burnished Brass = Flesh subject to affliction

1 Peter 1:7

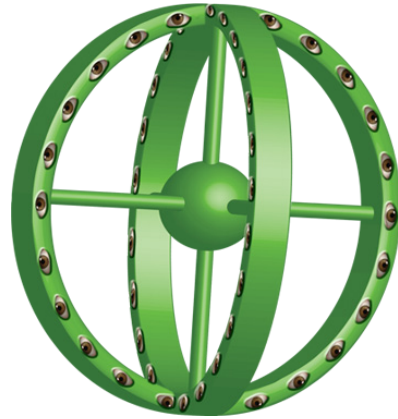
That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:

Acts 14:22

...exhorting them...that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God.

Lesson of the Feet

- *The Cherubim are*
- *"God manifested in flesh."*
- *They walk uprightly in righteousness - departing not to the right hand or the left*
- *Their feet bring the Gospel of Peace*
- *They are subject to affliction*



The Wheels

Ezekiel 1:15

Now as I beheld the living creatures, behold one wheel upon the earth by the living creatures, with his four faces.

Earlier Occurance of the Wheels:

Daniel 7:9-10

I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire. A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened

The Colour Beryl

Ezekiel 1:16

The appearance of the wheels and their work was like unto the colour of a beryl: and they four had one likeness: and their appearance and their work was as it were a wheel in the middle of a wheel.

Ezekiel 10:12

And their whole body, and their backs, and their hands, and their wings, and the wheels, were full of eyes round about, even the wheels that they four had.

Definition: Beryl

- **8658 tarshiysh, a precious stone, perhaps a chrysolite, yellow-jasper (light green), colour is that of a new chute - a yellow-green**

Under the Law:

Exodus 28:20

And the fourth row a beryl, and an onyx, and a jasper: they shall be set in gold in their inclosings

Ezekiel 28:13

Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl...

Song of Sol 5:14 - the Beloved

His hands are as gold rings set with the beryl: his belly is as bright ivory overlaid with sapphires.

Daniel 10:5-6 - the Man of One

Then I lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and behold a certain man [man of one]: clothed in linen, whose loins were girded with fine gold of Uphaz: His body also was like the beryl, and his face as the appearance of lightning, and his eyes as lamps of fire, and his arms and his feet like in colour to polished brass, and the voice of his words like the voice of a multitude.

Beryl - a Precious Stones

Ezekiel 28:13

Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl...

Malachi 3:16-17

Then they that feared Yahweh spake often one to another: and Yahweh hearkened, and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared Yahweh, and that thought upon his name. And they shall be mine, saith Yahweh of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him.

Exodus 19:5

Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine:

1 Peter 2:9

But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar [special treasure] people; that ye should shew forth the praises [characteristics] of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

Beryl - Symbolizing Newness of Life

Ephesians 4:24

And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

Colossians 3:9-10

Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds; And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:

Romans 6:4

Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

The Movement of the Wheels

Ezekiel 1:19-21

And when the living creatures went, the wheels went by them: and when the living creatures were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up. Whithersoever the spirit was to go, they went, thither was their spirit to go; and the wheels were lifted up over against them: for the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels. When those went, these went; and when those stood, these stood; and when those were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up over against them: for the spirit of the living creatures was in the wheels.

Directed By the Spirit

John 16:13

Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come

Romans 8:14

For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

Galatians 5:25

If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

Ezekiel 10:11

When they went, they went upon their four sides; they turned not as they went, but to the place whither the head looked they followed it; they turned not as they went.

Matthew 16:24

...If any man will come after me let him take up his cross and follow me..."

Matthew 19:27

...We have forsaken all and followed thee..

Wheels Defined

Definition: Wheel (1st word)

- 212 'owphan - meaning to revolve, wheel, chariot wheel, wheels of the ten bases beneath the lavers in Solomon's temple



- Eliezer BenYehuda when reviving the Hebrew language needed a word for Bicycle.... he made a hybrid word from owphan, Hebrew: (ofnaim)
- Definition: Wheel (2nd Word)
- 1534 galgal - rolling thing , wheel, whirl, whirlwind, whirling

Instruction to the Wheels

Ezekiel 10:13

As for the wheels [owphan], it was cried unto them in my hearing, Oh Wheel! [gilgal-WHIRL/ROLL!]

Joshuah 5:9

And Yahweh said unto Joshua, This day have I rolled away the reproach of Egypt from off you. Wherefore the name of the place is called Gilgal unto this day.

Psalms 37:5-6

Commit thy way [rolled thyself toward (onto)] unto Yahweh; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass. And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noonday.

c/p Psalms 22:8; Proverbs 16:3

John 6:63 - energized by the WORD OF GOD

It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.

Revelation 4:8 - They are constantly in motion

And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.

Lesson of the Wheels

- ***The Wheels are the colour Beryl, the colour of a new chute of a plant signifying new growth - signifying they are to walk in newness of life as the new man Eph 4:24; Col 3:9-10***
- ***They are precious precious jewels because they fear Yahweh and thought often upon his name (Mal 3:16). They are a “special treasure” or a “peculiar people” (Exodus 19:5) who are to “show forth the praises” or virtues/characteristics of Yahweh. (1 Peter 2:5)***
- ***They are directed by the Spirit of Yahweh and consequently are the Sons of God (Romans 8:14)***
- ***They are commanded to “Whirl” (10:13) signifying they are to be constantly employed in the work of God, they are to “rest not day or night” (Rev 4:8).***
- ***They are to Roll With Yahweh (Psalms 22:8) – meaning of “trusted”=to roll with (galal, related to gilgal). They are to roll their ways and works with the LORD (Psalms 37:5-6, Proverbs 16:3).***
- ***The Cherubim are a representation of discipleship***
- ***They are God Manifest in the flesh***
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Class #5

The Cherubim in Ezekiel 10

Full of Eyes

Ezekiel 10:12

And their whole body, and their backs, and their hands, and their wings, and the wheels, were full of eyes round about, even the wheels that they four had

Meaning of the Symbol

Ephesians 1:18

The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,

Psalms 19:8

The statutes of Yahweh are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of Yahweh is pure, enlightening the eyes.

Matthew 6:22

The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light.

Psalms 123:2

Behold, as the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters, and as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress; so our eyes wait upon Yahweh our God, until that he have mercy upon us.

Invitation to WATCH

Revelation 3:18

I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.

Revelation 16:15

Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

1 Thess 5:2-6

Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober.

Revelation 6:1

And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, one of the four living creatures saying, Come and see.

v. 3 - Come and See!

v. 5 - Come and See!

v. 7 - Come and See!

Watch and the Walk

Ezekiel 3:17

Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me.

Revelation 3:2

Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die: for I have not found thy works perfect before God.

Matt 26:41

Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

Luke 12:37

Blessed are those servants, whom the lord when he cometh shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them.

Their WHOLE body full of eyes

Ezekiel 10:12 - The whole body

And their whole body, and their backs, and their hands, and their wings, and the wheels, were full of eyes round about, even the wheels that they four had

Mark 13:37 - commandment to all

And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch.

Proverbs 31:27 - The Virtuous Woman

She looketh [watcheth] well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness.

Motivated by Vision

Habakkuk 2:2

And Yahweh answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it.

Ezekiel 1:14

And the living creatures ran and returned as the appearance of a flash of lightning

Hebrews 12:2

Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Hebrews 11:8-10

By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went. By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise: For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

Lesson of the Eyes

- *The Cherubim are full of eyes.*
- *The eyes of their understanding are enlightened (Eph 1:18) by the word of God (Psa 119:105);*
- *Their whole bodies were to be full of eyes – no member was exempt (Ezek 10..).*
- *They were the Children of Light who watched (1 Thes 5:6), obeying the invitation of the Lord to “Come and See”.*
- *Watching served as an antidote to Apostasy (Rev 3:2), and temptation (Rev 16:15).*
- *They continue in this role and are found watching when their Lord returns (Luke 12:37).*
- *The wheels are full of eyes that are revolving based on what they see. Their watching motivates to them to action (Hab2:2) – they run when they read it.*

Warning of the Eyes

Hebrews 4:12-13

For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do.

Putting the Cherubim Back Into the Vision of Ezekiel

- *Ezekiel's cherubim vision of Chapter 10 fits into a wider context that spans chapters 8-11*

Ezekiel 8:1

And it came to pass in the sixth year, in the sixth month, in the fifth day of the month, as I sat in mine house, and the elders of Judah sat before me, that the hand of the Lord Yahweh fell there upon me.



Ezekiel 8:2-3

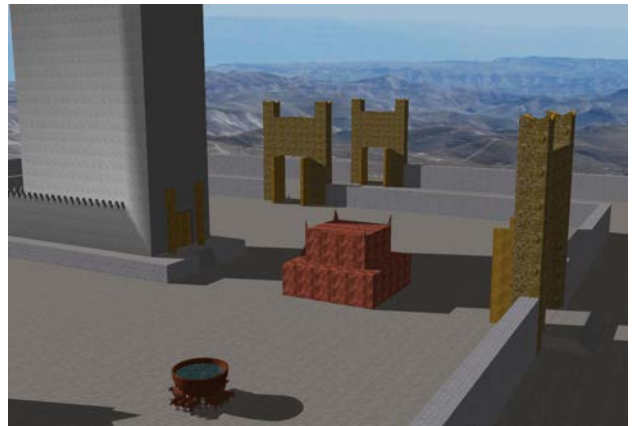
Then I beheld, and lo a likeness as the appearance of fire: from the appearance of his loins even downward, fire; and from his loins even upward, as the appearance of brightness, as the colour of amber. And he put forth the form of an hand, and took me by a lock of mine head; and the spirit lifted me up between the earth and the heaven...

Ezekiel 8:3

...and brought me in the visions of God to Jerusalem, to the door of the inner gate that looketh toward the north...

Ezekiel 8:4

And, behold, the glory of the God of Israel was there, according to the vision that I saw in the plain



The First Abomination - the Image that Provokes to Jealousy

Ezekiel 8:5

...to the door of the inner gate that looketh toward the north; where was the seat of the image of jealousy, which provoketh to jealousy.

Colossians 3:5

Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth... covetousness, which is idolatry



The Second Abomination - The Pictures in the Dark

Ezekiel 8:7-8

And he brought me to the door of the court; and when I looked, behold a hole in the wall. Then said he unto me, Son of man, dig now in the wall: and when I had digged in the wall, behold a door.

Ezekiel 8:10

I went in and saw; and behold every form of creeping things, and abominable beasts, and all the idols of the house of Israel, portrayed upon the wall round about.

- **What do we watch in the dark - when nobody else can see us?**

The Motivation of the Elders:

Ezekiel 8:12

Then said he unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen what the ancients of the house of Israel do in the dark, every man in the chambers of his imagery? for they say, Yahweh seeth us not; Yahweh hath forsaken the earth.

Luke 12:40

Be ye therefore ready also: for the Son of man cometh at an hour when ye think not...

*But and if that servant say in his heart,
My lord delayeth his coming;*

Ezekiel 8:17

Then he said unto me, Hast thou seen this, O son of man? Is it a light thing to the house of Judah that they commit the abominations which they commit here? for they have filled the land with violence, and have returned to provoke me to anger...

Luke 12:45-46

...shall begin to beat the menservants and maidens, and to eat and drink, and to be drunken; The lord of that servant will come...and will cut him in sunder...



The Fourth Abomination

Ezekiel 8:16

And he brought me into the inner court of Yahweh's house, and, behold, at the door of the temple of Yahweh, between the porch and the altar, were about five and twenty men, with their backs toward the temple of Yahweh, and their faces toward the east; and they worshipped the sun toward the east.

- **What aspects of worship today do we turn our backs on?**



The Third Abomination

Ezekiel 8:14

Then he brought me to the door of the gate of Yahweh's house which was toward the north; and, behold, there sat women weeping for Tammuz (Baal).

Tammuz - or Baal - the husband of Ishtar or Ashteroth

- **He was the sun god - that died in the winter to be reborn just before the new year**
- **What gets between us and the Kingdom?**



Pending Judgment

Ezekiel 9:2

And, behold, six men came from the way of the higher gate, which lieth toward the north, and every man a slaughter weapon in his hand; and one man among them was clothed with linen, with a writer's inkhorn by his side: and they went in, and stood beside the brasen altar.

Ezekiel 9:3

And the glory of the God of Israel was gone up from the cherub, whereupon he was, to the threshold of the house. And he called to the man clothed with linen, which had the writer's inkhorn by his side;

Sealing the Servants

Ezekiel 9:4

And Yahweh said unto him, Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof.

Ezekiel 9:5-6

And to the others he said in mine hearing, Go ye after him through the city, and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity: Slay utterly old and young, both maids, and little children, and women: but come not near any man upon whom is the mark; and begin at my sanctuary. Then they began at the ancient men which were before the house.

Revelation 7:2-3

I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels... Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.

Revelation 14:1

And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads.

Ezekiel's Plea For Mercy

Ezekiel 9:8

And it came to pass, while they were slaying them, and I was left, that I fell upon my face, and cried, and said, Ah Lord Yahweh! wilt thou destroy all the residue of Israel in thy pouring out of thy fury upon Jerusalem?

Ezekiel 9:9-10

The iniquity of the house of Israel and Judah is exceeding great, and the land is full of blood, and the city full of perverseness: for they say, Yahweh hath forsaken the earth, and Yahweh seeth not. And as for me also, mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity, but I will recompense their way upon their head.

Hebrews 10:26-27,31

For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins, But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries....It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

Where Judgment Begins

Ezekiel 9:6

Slay utterly old and young...and begin at my sanctuary. Then they began at the ancient men which were before the house.

1 Peter 4:17-18

For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God? And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?

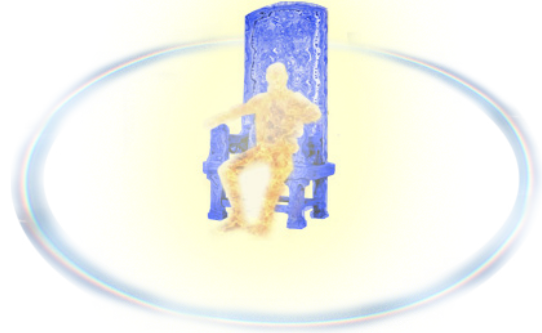
It Is Done

Ezekiel 9:11

behold, the man clothed with linen, which had the inkhorn by his side, reported the matter, saying, I have done as thou hast commanded me.

Rev 16:17

And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done.



Above the Cherubim - the Sapphire Throne

Ezekiel 10:1

Then I looked, and, behold, in the firmament that was above the head of the cherubims there appeared over them as it were a sapphire stone, as the appearance of the likeness of a throne.

Taking the Coals

Ezekiel 10:2

And he spake unto the man clothed with linen, and said, Go in between the wheels, even under the cherub, and fill thine hand with coals of fire from between the cherubims, and scatter them over the city. And he went in in my sight.

- **Remember - these were used in Isaiah to cleanse him of his sin - now they are used for Judgment**
- **Either we acknowledge God's righteousness and put to death the flesh - or it will be destroyed.**

Glory of Yah Departs

Ezekiel 10:3

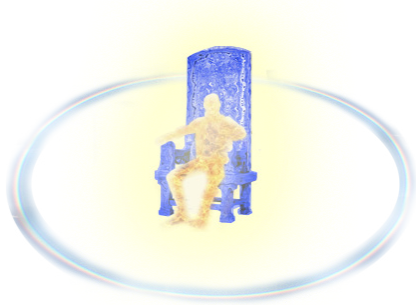
Now the cherubims stood on the right side of the house, when the man went in; and the cloud filled the inner court.

Ezekiel 10:4

Then the glory of Yahweh went up from the cherub, and stood over the threshold of the house; and the house was filled with the cloud, and the court was full of the brightness of Yahweh's glory.

Ezekiel 10:18

Then the glory of Yahweh departed from off the threshold of the house, and stood over the cherubims.



Ezekiel 10:19

And the cherubims lifted up their wings, and mounted up from the earth in my sight: when they went out, the wheels also were beside them, and every one stood at the door of the east gate of Yahweh's house; and the glory of the God of Israel was over them above

Departing from the Mount on the East

Ezekiel 11:22-23

Then did the cherubims lift up their wings, and the wheels beside them; and the glory of the God of Israel was over them above. And the glory of Yahweh went up from the midst of the city, and stood upon the mountain which is on the east side of the city.

Acts 1:9

And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld he was taken up, and a cloud received him out of their sight."

Acts 1:12

Then returned they unto Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is from Jerusalem a sabbath day's journey.

Ezekiel Returns

Ezekiel 11:24-25

Afterwards the spirit took me up, and brought me in a vision by the Spirit of God into Chaldea, to them of the captivity. So the vision that I had seen went up from me. Then I spake unto them of the captivity all the things that Yahweh had shewed me.



Class #6

The Living Creatures in Revelation

The Book for the Servants

- **The key to understanding the book of Revelation is the First Principles of the Gospel of God**

Revelation 1:1

The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass: and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John



Opening the Vision

Rev 1:10

I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet...

- **The Trumpet is the resurrection which is past**

Rev 4:1

After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter

- **The Door that is opened is to the political heavens of the "New Heavens and the New Earth" wherein dwells righteousness**



John Sees One On the Throne

Revelation 4:2-3

And immediately I was in the spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne. And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald.



The Elders With White Robes

Revelation 4:4

And round about the throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.

Revelation 19:7

... to her was granted that she should be arrayed in linen, clean and white, for the fine linen is the righteousness of the saints.

Revelation 7:13-14

... what are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they?... These are they that came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.



The Crowns

Revelation 4:4

And round about the throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.

1 Peter 5:4

And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.

Revelation 2:10

Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.

Revelation 3:11

Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.



The Lampstands

Revelation 4:5

And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.

Revelation 1:20

The seven lampstands are the seven ecclesias...



The Living Creatures

Revelation 4:6

And before the throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four living creatures full of eyes before and behind.

Revelation 4:7

And the first beast was like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast was like a flying eagle.

Revelation 4:8

And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.

These are Isaiah's Seraphim

Isaiah 6:3-4

Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is Yahweh of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.



The harps

Revelation 5:8-10

And when he had taken the book, the four living creatures and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints. And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

- *In this song the Cherubim and Elders identify themselves when they state "thou has made us unto our God Kings and priests" and "thou hast redeemed us"*



The Sealed Book

Revelation 5:1

And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book written within and on the backside, sealed with seven seals.

Daniel 12:9-10

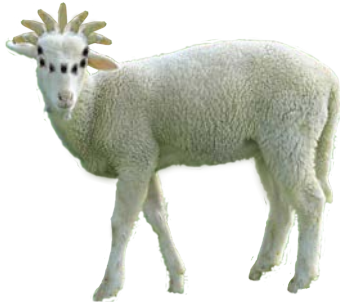
And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end. Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand.

Revelation 5:4

And I wept much, because no man was found worthy to open and to read the book, neither to look thereon.

Revelation 5:5

And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.



The Lamb

Revelation 5:6

And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.

- **It has 7 horns and 7 eyes**
- **This is a symbol of the MULTITUDE**
- **It represents the MULTITUDINOUS CHRIST - Both CHRIST and his SAINTS**
- **AFULL OF EYES - the WATCHERS**

A Lamb Come to Judge the World

Revelation 6:1

And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, one of the four living creatures saying, Come and see.

Revelation 6:16

Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb

Revelation 15:3

And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints.

Revelation 17:14

These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.

Following The Lamb

Revelation 14:1-3

And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads. And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four living creatures, and

the elders.... These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb.

Ezekiel 10:11

When they went, they went upon their four sides; they turned not as they went, but to the place whither the head looked they followed it; they turned not as they went.

Matthew 16:24

...If any man will come after me let him take up his cross and follow me...

Matthew 19:27

...We have forsaken all and followed thee..

The Redeemed of the Lamb

Revelation 7:17

For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

Revelation 7:14

...These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Manifesting the Characteristic of the Lamb

1 Cor 11:1

Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ.

Hebrews 6:12

That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

Phil 3:7

Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample.

Becoming One with the Lamb

2 Corinthians 11:2

For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.

Revelation 19:7

Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.

c/p Rev 19:9, 21:9

The Saints - Part of the Slain lamb

Philippians 3:10-11

That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death; If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead.

1 Corinthians 10:16

Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ? (NIV)

Galatians 2:20

I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.



The Bowls - or Vials - Containing Prayers

Revelation 5:8

The Elders ...golden vials (bowls) full of odours, which are the prayers of saints.

Revelation 6:9-11

And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held: And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth? And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellow servants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled.

The Judgements of the World - a result of the prayers of the saints

Revelation 15:6-8

And the seven angels came out of the temple, having the seven plagues, clothed in pure and white linen, and having their breasts girded with golden girdles.

And one of the four living creatures gave unto the seven angels seven golden vials full of the wrath of God, who liveth for ever and ever.

And the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power; and no man was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled.

Revelation 16:1

And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, Go your ways, and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth.

Implications of this:

- **The Unfolding of Prophecy - the direct result of the prayers of the saints.**
- **Think of the past 150 years.**
- **The results have been the judgments**

The last BOWL - which has been poured out in the lifetime of our community is the 6th

The Judgments resulting in the WAY of the KINGS of the SUN's RISING being prepared

Revelation 16:12

And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east (kings of the sun's rising) might be prepared.

Revelation 16:13-14

And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.

For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

Exhortation to Our Day:

Revelation 16:15

Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

Revelation 16:16-17

And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.

And the seventh angel poured out his vial (bowl) into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done.

The Cherubim Return: the kings of the suns rising

Ezekiel 43:1-2

Afterward he brought me to the gate that looketh toward the east: And, behold, the glory of the God of Israel came from the way of the east: and his voice was like a noise of many waters: and the earth shined with his glory.

Zechariah 14:4-6

And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east... And Yahweh my Elohim shall come, and all the saints with thee.

The New Heavens

Revelation 19:1-2

And after these things I heard a great voice of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God: For true and righteous are his judgments: for he hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand.

Revelation 19:3-4

And again they said, Alleluia. And her smoke rose up for ever and ever. And the four and twenty elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshipped God that sat on the throne, saying, Amen; Alleluia.



The Rider on the Horse

Revelation 19:11-13

And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had

a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.

Revelation 19:15-16

And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of

Almighty God. And he hath on his vesture

and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS,

AND LORD OF LORDS.

- **He has the Gensis Sword in his mouth - the world of God**

Who is the Cherubim He is Riding?

Zechariah 10:3

Yahweh of Armies hath visited his flock the house of Judah, and hath made them as his goodly horse in the battle.

- **Israel is RIDDEN by the Deity to fulfill his will - The nation will once again become "cherubim"**
- **Israel has the Cherubic Character of the Threshing Ox:**

Micah 4:13

Arise and thresh, O daughter of Zion: for I will make thine horn iron, and I will make thy hoofs brass: and thou shalt beat in pieces many people: and I will consecrate their gain unto Yahweh, and their substance unto the Lord of the whole earth.



The Army In Heaven

Revelation 19:14

And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

Daniel 7:21-22

I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them; Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.

Daniel 7:27

And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.



Our Faith Turned to Sight:

Christ the King:

Revelation 19:16

And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, and LORD OF LORDS.

The Apostles on Thrones:

Matthew 19:28

And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

The Saints Ruling

Revelation 3:21

To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.

Revelation 5:10

And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

The Kingdom Restored to Israel

Micah 4:8

And thou, O tower of the flock, the strong hold of the daughter of Zion, unto thee shall it come, even the first dominion; the kingdom shall come to the daughter of Jerusalem.

The Kingdoms of the World Subdued

Revelation 11:15

And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.